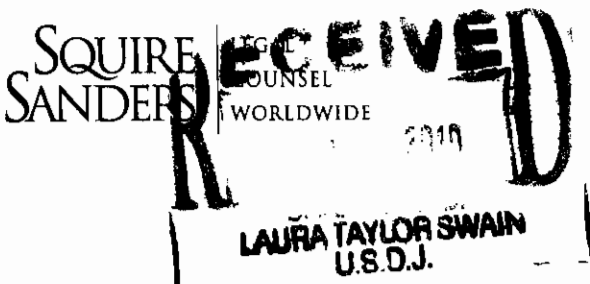


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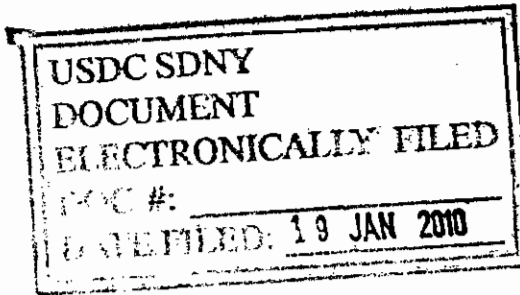
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U.S.D.C., S.D.N.Y., 03 Civ. 3573 (LTS)(RLE)
Client/Matter No.: 103155.00001

MEMO ENDORSED

Dear Judge Swain:

Pursuant to the briefing schedule set forth in the Court's Order of September 16, 2009, Spain seeks the Court's permission to extend the page limit for its brief in opposition due January 29, 2010 from twenty five (25) pages to thirty five (35) pages. Spain makes this request in order to more fully respond to ABS's choice-of-law and summary judgment arguments made in its opening brief dated November 24, 2009.

Counsel for the American Bureau of Shipping agrees to this request. The parties thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

*The request is granted.***SO ORDERED.**

NEW YORK, NY

LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Respectfully Submitted,

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